2016 Women in Business Champion

Rachel Davis, Executive Director

SBA Women's Business Center Director/The Edge Connection

Rachel Davis is responsible for direct supervision of the Edge Connection's SBA Women's Business Center. Launched in 2004, the Center has provided education, resources, and support services to help promote successful business start-ups, growth, expansion, and sustainability to thousands of women entrepreneurs. Since its inception the Center has been a key component to the Edge Connection's diverse resources targeted to low-to-moderate-income women, minorities, and veterans



Davis began working in the field of micro/small business
development in 1996, where she worked in several capacities including Business Consultant,
Program Manager, Training and Business Development Services Manager, and VP of
Operations. She has created and implemented programs for micro-entrepreneurs, managed
grant program deliverables including budgets, reporting and outcomes tracking and
management. She is a previous board director of Georgia Micro Enterprise Network (GMEN),
the supporting agency for advocacy of microenterprise. She has been a presenter at state and
national conferences on microenterprise highlighting best practices in training and follow-up
services. Ms. Davis earned her BA in Economics from Spelman College and her MBA from Clark
Atlanta University.

A tireless advocate for women business owners, Davis leads a dynamic team of professions who continually innovate the center's approach to helping women achieve success in small business and micro enterprise. The center works closely, not only with the SBA Georgia District Office, but SCORE, the Georgia SBDC and the ACE Women's Center to coordinate programs delivery and consistency.